

WILL NOT MAKE COAL WEIGHING COMPULSORY

Committee Fears to Impose Hardship on Coal Dealers, Committee of Council Meet—Auditor's Salary Fixed at \$2,400—Question of Manufacturers' Assesment Not Decided.

The first regular committee meeting of the year was held in the city chamber last evening. Mayor McEwen and all the aldermen and councilmen were present, with the exception of Alderman Garside.

The first subject for discussion last evening was regarding the minutes of the council meeting. The matter had been brought up at the last regular council meeting.

After a short discussion it was decided that the minutes should be read as usual at the council meeting, and provided for in the charter.

The Auditor's Salary Fixed. The most important work of the evening was done by Finance Committee, composed of Aldermen Bellamy, Garside, and Garside.

The question of the salary of the auditor was discussed by the committee. The Finance Committee decided that the salary of the auditor should be \$2,400 a year.

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HEAVY STORM IN CHICAGO.

Results in Cutting Off Communication With Outside Points—Wires Down.

Winnetka, Jan. 14.—Since Sunday morning last Winnetka and points south have in all intents and purposes been cut off from Chicago and the surrounding country, there being no telephone communications and even the telegraphic communications have been practically every wire for a distance of from fifty to ninety miles round Chicago, in many cases taking the poles with the lines. It must be weeks before telegraphic communication is fully restored.

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STRATHCONA NEWS

LORD STRATHCONA CUP SERIES BEGINS TONIGHT.

The Draw for the Competition Which Will Continue For the Remainder of the Month—Keen Excitement Over Handsome Trophy.

The drawing for the competition of the Strathcona Cup, the magnificent trophy donated by Lord Strathcona to the Curling Club, was concluded yesterday, and the games will begin tonight.

Each rink of the club will play every other rink in the series, and the winner, who holds the cup for a year, will be the one securing the largest number of points. The following is the schedule for the series:

January 14th.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. Kitchen, No. 1 tie.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. R. B. Douglas, No. 2 tie.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. Miller, No. 1 tie.
7 p.m.—McMahon vs. Sheppard, No. 2 tie.

January 15th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Kitchen.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Douglas.
7 p.m.—McMahon vs. Weir.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—McMahon vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Thompson.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—McMahon vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. J. McLean.

January 16th.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Thompson.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—McMahon vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. J. McLean.

January 17th.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. Thompson.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. J. B. Miller.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Kitchen.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. Bailes.

January 18th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 19th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 20th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 21st.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 22nd.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 23rd.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 24th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 25th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 26th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

January 27th.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Sheppard.
7 p.m.—Bailes vs. R. B. Douglas.
7 p.m.—J. McLean vs. Miller.
7 p.m.—Thompson vs. J. McLean.
7 p.m.—Weir vs. Bailes.

SAY GOOD-BYE TO THE OLD YEAR

and the old broom. Start the New Year with a Carpet Sweeper.

The Public Ceremony Conducted Last Night in the New Oddfellows' Temple, Laid the Old Year to Rest and Brought in the New Year.

The annual installation of the officers of Strathcona Lodge No. 9, I.O.O.F., into their respective offices took place last night in the new Temple, Deputy Grand Master R. L. Hamilton, officiating.

The ceremonies were open to the public and were witnessed by many lady and gentlemen friends of the order. The D.D.G.M. was accompanied by a score of Edmonton Oddfellows, among them being Pat Grande West and Chamberlain, Vice Grand.

He was assisted by J. W. Cunningham as Grand Marshall, J. E. Green as Grand Guard, R. J. Flann as Grand Treasurer, and G. H. Elliott as Grand Trustee.

The new officers of the lodge are as follows: Noble Grand—J. C. Wainwright. Recording Secretary—V. T. Richards. Treasurer—H. H. Palmer. Wardens—P. Manning. Conductors—J. J. Plavin. Chaplain—J. Wainwright. Inner Guard—J. H. Minor. Outer Guard—J. H. Minor. R. & L.S.N.A.—Wm. Hamerton and R. & L.V.G.—I. P. Aukman and S. Morrison.

W. Grant is the retiring Noble Grand, who is not elevated to the position of Master Pat Grand. The ceremonies were held in the fine new lodge room of Strathcona No. 9, a hall of ample proportions, one of the largest in all Western Canada. It is a hall of ample proportions, one of the largest in all Western Canada.

The upper floor of the new I.O.O.F. hall, erected last summer by the Strathcona Oddfellows' Hall Association, at a cost of \$35,000. The dining hall is a splendid room, the close of the ceremony was a most ambitious effort. In congratulatory terms he also referred to the past year, the increase being the most of sixteen members, the membership now totaling 199. In its history, the lodge should thank the more abundantly, and at the outset of the year build solidly for future progress and beneficent fraternal work.

The eloquent terms the district deputy spoke of the aims and objects of Oddfellowship and concluded by expressing his appreciation of the honor of being the first to install officers in the new and splendid lodge home.

Noble G and Wainwright in thanking his members for the honor done him in electing him grand officer, conveyed the thanks of the lodge to the D.D.G.M. and assisting officers. A test drink was served at the close of the work.

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CRIME DECREASING AMONGST ORIENTALS

Present Conditions in Vancouver Show Improvement Over Three Years Ago—Chinamen are Principal Offenders—Offences are of Petty Nature.

Vancouver, Jan. 13.—There has been considerable speculation in police circles as to whether or not crime is on the increase amongst the Oriental element in Vancouver. To the surprise of the police, the result of a report it would appear that there is not an increase in the crime statistics of the last three years back will show that such is not the case.

The Chinamen is the principal offender of the three races of Asiatics, but the general character of his offences is not as serious as one would expect. Three years ago, when they were allowed to come into the country without paying the head tax of \$500, there was a more undesirable influx than there is now. All could not secure work, with the result that rather than starve, many of them had to resort to thieving to get a few cents to live on.

Three were the days when the prisoners' dock at the court would be filled with faces of Oriental descent, and a large share of the crime of the time was taken up in disposing of their cases. Today, however, the marked change. While occasionally one will find a number of Chinamen in court, the average is not as high as it was three years ago. All could not secure work, with the result that rather than starve, many of them had to resort to thieving to get a few cents to live on.

It is not true that there are more in the country than there were several months ago, as the report states. "Well, that is explained by the fact that there are more in the country now, and it is almost impossible to have a large colony of people like this in a community without some crime among them," replied the officer.

There have been a number of Japanese in court of late, and while there has been an increase in the average for the last few months, the average for the last three years is not very high. As a result of the increase in the number of Japanese in the country, the crime committed by them is not so serious as it was three years ago. A few months ago there were many Hindus coming up from the south, but lately they have almost entirely disappeared from the record. The thought, though, that the crime is brought up for vengeance. This change is due to the fact that the Hindus are now in the country, and the crime committed by them is not so serious as it was three years ago.

ROUNDED UP A BUFFALO.

In a Herd of Cattle—Buffalo Was Killed.

Kennedy, N.D., Jan. 13.—A. E. Agland, proprietor of the Centre Lake stock farm, four miles north of here, killed a buffalo in his stock. When the foreman rounded up the cattle, and the buffalo was seen, he fired. The buffalo was killed, and the carcass was found. The buffalo was discovered among them in the effort was made to round up the buffalo from the herd, whereupon it attacked a horse, and it was necessary to shoot it. Where the buffalo came from is a question that perplexes the stockmen.

TO WIDEN PANAMA.

Secretary Tait Asks That Canal Be Enlarged.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 14.—Secretary of War Tait has written a letter to the president recommending an increase in the width of the Panama canal locks, from 100 feet to 110 feet. The change will cost \$5,000,000.

Presidents' Long Conference.

Managua, Jan. 13.—The long-looked-for conference between President Zelaya of Nicaragua, and President Velasco of Costa Rica, took place yesterday. It had to do with the question of the frontier, and the commercial relations between the two countries, and their future departure an agreement was signed. A large number of prominent men of both Nicaragua and Costa Rica were present, and the meeting of the respective representatives was the occasion for such enthusiasm. Military honors were done on both sides, and there was an expression of good feeling by the presidents of the two countries at a banquet which followed their meeting.

Fall Under Moving Train.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Mr. S. C. Cookman was a tragic death this afternoon, at the Point St. Charles railway station. He was killed by a moving train. He was on his way to work, and he was killed by a moving train. He was on his way to work, and he was killed by a moving train.

The New London Times.

London, Jan. 13.—The London Times has announced that it has received a subscription for the capital amounting to \$1,000,000 for the London Times. The subscription was made by Mr. Arthur Pearson, Lord Brassey, and other prominent men of the country. The subscription was made by Mr. Arthur Pearson, Lord Brassey, and other prominent men of the country.

BETTER PAY FOR THE UNITED STATES ARMY

The Great Republic Appears To Be Determined to Meet Obstacle in Army Work—War Secretary Recommends Relief of Corps of Un-military Work.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Increased pay for enlisted men and a lightening of their routine duties in order to encourage enlistments are urged by Secretary of War Tait in his annual report. He also urges the pressing need for officers to replace the large number of men who are leaving the service, or as instructors in educational institutions, such as the state universities.

The report begins with a formidable presentation of figures, showing the rapid decrease in the strength of the regular army in recent years (the last year being no less than 428,000). The secretary declares that while many reasons have been advanced to explain the difficulty, a sufficient one is to be found in the inadequacy of army pay.

This difficulty is especially noticeable in the coast defense, and, where the service requires a high degree of mechanical skill and the training necessary to develop the men leads to the acquisition of a higher technical knowledge of electricity and a skill in assembling and manipulating various kinds of electrical apparatus in general use in the commercial world. The secretary declares that the men have served our enlistment they have attained a proficiency which could be put to use in the civil employment, thus it does in the army, and they do not remain in the service.

Favors New Plan for Army.

He thinks it quite probable that the secretary's contention of an increase in the pay of enlisted men, including the allowance for clothing, and a plan for men to re-enlist, and such reasonable increase in the pay of enlisted men, would have a marked beneficial effect on the recruitment of the army.

The secretary also recommends the creation of a general service corps to relieve the soldiers of the vast amount of military work they are now called upon to perform. In his opinion the military service should be more attractive and desirable than it is at present, and it will not be difficult to attract a large number of men to the service, and it will not be difficult to attract a large number of men to the service.

The regular army last year had 102 officers and 26,519 enlisted men. Through retirement, discharge, death, and other causes. Although it was reduced to 102 officers and 26,519 enlisted men, the army was reduced to 102 officers and 26,519 enlisted men.

Army in Philippines.

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Fort Saskatchewan.

On Tuesday afternoon and evening meetings were held in the town hall here for the purpose of discussing the construction of an electric railway from Camp Overton, on the north shore from Medicine Hat, to Camp Keith, on Lake Lacan, in the centre of the More country. He compares the situation in the Atlantic provinces in atmosphere and climate, and says nothing could be of greater importance than that a port be built at that point, where every regiment in the island might be sent to the Atlantic provinces.

A profound conviction of the importance of the subject leads the secretary to earnestly urge congress to give consideration to the army in the military department, which it has overlooked, notwithstanding attention having recently been called to it.

The failure to make proper and adequate provision for caring for the health and comfort of the volunteer forces in time of war—and this can only be done by creating a sufficient large body of competent engineers with military knowledge and training—not only needlessly prolongs the struggle and involves the country in expenditures of money far in excess of the actual cost of making proper provision in advance, but must be a source of constant and serious trouble to the country.

The places recommended for fortification have all been visited by a number of members of the national coast defense board, the suitability for fortification has been carefully examined by the board, and expenditures are being made accordingly.

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with a vigor that knew no abatement. I remain, of course, to congratulate an adequate preparation for the election of a statue to Secretary Stanton in the city of Washington, where his great work was done, and where his remains are buried.

REQUEST \$100,000 TO ARM 250,000 MEN

Special Request Made to Congress for the Purchase of Arms and Equipment—Request Significant in View of Present Strained Relations.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 14.—Major-General W. D. Dugal, assistant chief of the staff of the U. S. army, in a special request to congress today, asked for an appropriation of \$100,000 for the purchase of arms and equipment for an army of 250,000 men. This request is significant in view of the strained relations between the United States and Mexico.

Major General Franklin Bell, chief of the staff, and Robert Shaw Oliver, assistant secretary of war.

The request provides for an expenditure of \$100,000 in the next few years. The most remarkable thing about the request is that it is the first time in the history of the army that such a request has been made.

REDUCTION IN RATES.

On Steamship Lines May Lead to Enforcement of Recently Passed Act.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Hamburg-American line announced today that the second cabin rate for passengers on the sailing of the "Graf Waldersee" from here on April 15, will be reduced to \$44. The rate for the "Graf Waldersee" from here on April 15, will be reduced to \$44.

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Hull, Jan. 13.—The appeal of the Dominion Coal Company, against Judge Langley's decision has been dismissed by Chief Justice Tupper with costs. Over a million dollar damages were involved.

Skated Into Hole In Ice.

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